

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5501
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PROPER RURAL SANITATION HEALTH SYSTEM
MAHBOOB ZAHEDI

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether 91% people in the rural areas of the country are suffering due to improper sanitation and inadequate health system;
- (b) if so, the details in this regard and the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether out of budget allocation of Rs.31,995 crore Rs.1,380 crore were not utilised and returned during the last three years;
- (d) if so, the reasons therefor; and
- (e) the steps taken by the Government to improve the sanitation and health system in the rural areas of the country?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SMT. RITA VERMA)

- (a) to (e) The information is being collected and will be placed on the Table of the House.